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Further to: Assistance to Japa ese Gendarmerie

on the 23-10-41 the prisoner Sub Seu Ong Talija was returned to Crime Branch Headquarters along with the request vide Shankenko No. 983/41 that he be released after being cautioned as to his future activities.

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Headquarters Orime Branch 20th October

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Assistance to Japanese Cendarmerie

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At 6.30 a.m. 20-10-41 qub-rieut. Ratoda accompanied by other members of the Japanese Gendarmerie
Headquarters called at Crime Branch Headquarters and
requested assistance to co. duct raids at 1-

1. No. 287 Tatung Road

explaining that recently information had been received from several places in the occupied area's to the effect that pictures of an Anti-Japanese nature were being destributed by a company known as the Van Jeu () Industrial Society, and that as result of his enquiries he had ascertained that such a company had premises at one of the two aforesaid addresses.

Necessary arrangments having been made with the U.S. Marine Corp and Sinza Station the desired assistance was rendered by D.T. Crighton, D.S. Yamakara, D.S.I. Lieu Shang Teal and C.D.S. 40.

on the first address being visited it was ascertained that the Van Jeu Industrial Society, had previously occupied those premises, but about one year ago had moved to House No. 8, lane 285 Shanhaikwan Road.

This latter address was visited and as result of a search conducted therein several hundred copies of

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forty one different coloured cardboard cut out pictures (as pe attached) the Printi. F plocks for same, and several other documents were seized.

In addition to these seizures sub-Lieut Katoda requested that the manager of the company:-

suh sev ong (石井河) see 34, native of Shanghai, residing therein

be taken into custody for investigation.

This was agreed to and on returning to Crime
Branch Headquarters, Sub-Lieut. Katoda requested the
temporary handing over of this prisoner, along with samples
of the seized documents.

The prisoner, as requested, was loaned for a period of one week against the usual receipt(attached)

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REPORT

Date No Se B.

Subject (in full) Chinese Adition of Secret Agent of Japan Date disposal.

Made by D. T. Grawford Forwarded by Sunt. J. Fason

On the 25th March, 1940 between 10 a.m. and la.33 p.m., acting on instructions from D. C. (Special pranch), D.S.I. macaule removed 9,000 sheets and 00 unbound books of 200 Pages to ward Road Gaol where it was ourned in the furnace in his presence.

D. C. (Special Branch).

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THE CHINA WEEKLY REVIEW

Nov. 25, 1939.

The China Motion Picture Company at Chungking, has announced its intention of producing in picture form the book, "Secret Agent of Japan," which was written by Amleto Vespa, an Italian who served for many years as an adviser to Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang in Manchuria and later was forced to serve in a similar capacity with the Japanese. He succeeded in escaping from Manchuria after the beginning of the Sino-Japanese hostilities in 1937 and came to Shanghai where he wrote his book exposing Japanese atroctics in Manchuria. Mr. Vespa and his wife and children are now in the United States.



May 1, 39.

The Secretary,

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"SECRET AGENT OF JAPAN"

Chinese reprint - seisure.

I attach a copy of a Special Tranch report and comment by P.C. (Special Branch) with regard to the above.

Under the circumstances I do not consider a claim to ownership of the paper thus wrongfully used can be made good by Mr. Sanders Bates. Your comment on this aspect of the case would be appreciated.

Sd. K. M. Bourne.
Commissioner of Police.

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P.A.10 D.C. (Sp.,Br.)

Commissioner.

Sir,

Reference attached report, it is claimed that the paper used is the property of the News Digest although there is no written proof of such claim. Copy of the report has been forwarded to H.B.M. Consul-General (marked Personal).

(SD.) T. Robertson

D. C. (Special Branch).

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REPORT

Date may 1, 10 39.

Subject Chinese edition of "Secret Agent of Japan" - seizure of unpounded copies.

Made # Forwarded by C.D.I. Ross

Acting on information outsined by U.D.C. 308 Wong Chun Fee that the Uninese edition of an English publication entitled "Secret Agent of Japan" by Amleto vespa was being printed by the mua hei Frinting Press (# 1), 80 Kuling Road, these premises were raided by members of the Special _ranch during the forenoon of April 30.

Ying Sin Liang (相解), son of ring is Shang (A) the manager of the concern, and an employee of the Commercial Press, who was present during the raid, was instructed to cease printing of the book in question which was immediately complied with.

On subsequent interrogation at rolice neadquarters Ying declared that the concern was printing 3,000 copies of the book (of approximately 200 pages) on behalf of the Publication Department of the News Digest, 160 Avenue Edward VII, at a cost of \$300.00 which covers the expenses of printing only, the paper for same being supplied by the News Digest. Approximately nine-tenths of the printing had been completed and the greater part of which had been sent to the Chen Sin Kee ([] book Binding Shop, House 9, Lane 139, Loong Chin Li (就 主 三), North Unekiang Road, for binding. Regarding the order for printing the book, ring continued, the press had a contract with the rublication Department of the News Digest which, however, was in the custody of his father and was not available owing to

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the absence of the latter. It was explained to ring that owing to the violently anti-Japanese nature of the book, the printing and selling of same in the Settlement was strongly disapproved by the municipal Police.

A further raid made on the Chen Sin Kee book
Binding Shop, 9/139 North Chekrang Road, resulted in
the seizure of some 9,000 sheets measuring 38" x 28"
with printing completed and approximately half of them
cut to book form ready for binding.

Some 1,500 sheets of paper with printing completed,

3 clocks of lead types and four photostat moulds for
the book were seized at the Hua hel printing press,

80 Kuling Road. Both seizures were removed to
Headquarters. The lead type used in the printing
was, according to hr. Ying, immediately melted down
after printing was completed.

On the morning of may 1, ring is Snang, the manager of the nua mei Frinting Fress, called at Headquarters in company with his son ring bih Liang and Zau Pang Yung (), editor of the news Digest. The contract for printing the book was produced by Zau Pang Yung and a translation is attached. Zau Pang Yung came to Headquarters with the object of securing the return of the paper supplied

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by the News Digest. ne also intimated that Ir. Sanders-pates was in possession of a letter from _r. Vespa giving him authority to print and publish the Chinese edition of this pook.

The raiding party comprised D.S. Fitts, D.S.I. Liao Chung Chien, C.D.S. 24 Zee Zeh Sing, C.D.C. 308 Wong Chun Fee and C.D.C. 358 Li Kuang Tsai.

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D.C. (Special branch)

TRANSLATION

Contract for printing

The Publication Department of the "News Digest" hereby entrusts the mei nwa Press to undertake the printing of books under the following terms:-

- 1) Kind of Work: Lead type characters nos. 4, 5 and 6
 to be used. 55 cents will be charged for one-side
 composition per one thousand characters, but 65 cents
 will be charged for two-side composition per one
 thousand characters.
- 2) Charge for Paper marche mould: For size 32 (8½ x 5½), 6 cents will be charged per page, while for size 16 (11° x 8½), 12 cents will be charged per page.
- 3) Charge for Frinting: \$1.60 will be charged per ream per thousand books of ordinary paper, \$1.20 per ream for an order of two thousand books, \$1.10 per ream for an order of 3,000 to 5,000 books, \$1 per ream for an order of 6,000 to 10,000 books and \$0.90 per ream for an order in excess of 10,000 books. If good quality paper is used, an extra sum of 10 cents is to be charged for every ream.
- 4) Cover: slack ink, 60 cents per thousand. Colour ink, 80 cents per thousand. Ordinary sinding, 55 cents per 10,000 pages. Good sinding, \$1.40 per 1,000 sooks of size 32 or 16. For sest sinding with gilt characters, the charge will be discussed personally. Charge for lead type block, $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per page of size $8\frac{1}{2}$ x $5\frac{1}{2}$ and 6 cents per page of size 11 x $8\frac{1}{2}$.

"To the mei Hwa Press,

The manuscripts of the entire articles of the Secret Agent of Japan, that have been published continuously in this paper, are attached herewith. Flease make type-setting accordingly and oblige.

Zau Pang-yung,
The Publication Department of
the News Digest. march 23.**

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Subject (in full) "Secret agent of Japan".

Made by S. McKeown.

kegarding the instructions of the D.C. (Special Branch) on the attached file, the managers of all Chinese bookstores in the area south of the creek have been quietly informed that there is a decided objection to the sale of "Secret Agent of Japan" either in English or Chinese. Without exception, all promised not to sell the book. Periodical visits will be paid to all bookstores by clerks and detectives attached to this section with a view to seeing that the promises are being

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Date March 20, 10 39.

Subject	English	edition o	of "Secret	Agent of	Japan. "	
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Made by D.S. Pitts, Forecarded by ____

Local Chinese bookstores are all sold out of their copies of the English edition of "Secret Agent of Japan. " It is learned, however, that further consignments of this volume are expected shortly.

Since the retail price is \$16.80 per copy, instructions are solicited as to whether the stores concerned should be advised to make other arrangements for the disposal of these books before accepting delivery as they will be placed to great expense in the event of all copies being seized.

D.C. (Special Branch).

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Date March 1: 1039 .

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A telephone sessage was received by the undersigned in the morning of March 1s from Warrant Officer Shibuya attached to the Special Branch. Japanese 'ilitary 'olice Healquarters, to the effect that he would be much poliged if the ...unicipal Folice would supply him with information regarding the following matters :-

Name and nationality of the manager of the Whamei Frinting Jo. (音等原制公司), No. 172 Edward VII.

rumber of books entitled "Secret Agent of of Jaran" (Chinese translation) wrinted by the aforesaid company.

humber of the above books sold.

me further requested that the Lunicipal Colice would confiscate the original adition of "Secret Agant of Japan" written in English, which may be kept in Chinase book stores.

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D. C. (Special Branch).

To r. T. Robertson, officer-in-charge of the Special branch, S. . . F. Healquarters.

Dear bir,

I shall appreciate your kindness if you could giv me ten codes of the book entitled "secret Agent of Japan"(Chinese translation), which were discovered and confiscated by your staff on Parch 17, at the "Brothers dook and Magazine Jo."(天本日書籍读示之), No. 5/6 Foochow .oad.

fours Sincerely,

(Chogrea) Hidazumi Hayashi,

Officer-in-Charge of the Special Branch, Japanese Filitary Police Head-Quarters in Shangtai.

Engorsement.

Received ten copies of a book (Chinese translation) entitled "Secret Agent of Japan" on Larch 17.

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Subject	Assistance	to Japanese	Military	Police	Headquarters	
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At 10.15 a.m. March 17, following a request from the Japane se Military Headquarters for assistance, Warrant Officer Shibuya of the Special Branch of the Japanese Military Police, J.D.S. Kamashita, C.D.C. 280 Chang Yeh and D.S. McKeown visited the "Brothers Magazine Company" (光有什該に可), 378 Foochow Road, and seized 19 copies of the Chinese translation of a book entitled "Secret Agent of Japan" (日本的问题) by Amleto Vespa, published by the Hwa Mei Publishing Company, Inc., 172 Avenue Edward VII.

Two parties of Police, one consisting of the above mentioned officers, and one comprising D.S.I. MacAdie, J.D.C. Yamaha, of the Special Political Office, and C.D.S. 141 Tang Hung-sun visited all bookstores on Foochow Road during the morning of March 17, but no further seizures were made.

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The seized copies are being kept at the office of the Special Branch - the first of the state of the state

P.A.10 D.C. Special Branch).



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FILE NO. D. J. (1979)

SUBJECT:

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Date April 13.

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During the afternoon of A ril 17. 1.39 lembers of the Opecial tranch visited Non 405, 210 Kiumiang Road, where books of an anti-Japanese probaganda nature were allered to be on sale.

The premises moved to be the offices of the "Alexander Fullishing and Frinting Company." the solo progrietor of which is Alexander EUCH AN. American of radical tendencies, details of whom appear in the attached file.

Enquiries made thos Chinese members of this office - RMCHRAN was absent at the time of the visit revealed that the concern had been responsible for printing and mublishing an anti-Japanese booklet entitled "Life or Death Place" (生 ん じ), several conies of which were weised by the Special Branch from various bookstores on Foodnow and Shantung Roads on April 6. To further comies of this publication were observed in Room 405, 210 Kiukiang Road, the responsible Chinese staff memoer declaring that all copies available had been already despatched to Wenchow. A careful examination of other literature on the premises revealed nothing inimical to Japanese interests.

In view of the fact that BUCHMAN is an American citizen and as the head of the publishing company, solely responsible for the printing of the booklet "Life or Death Place," this individual was communicated with and requested to call upon the P.A. to the D. C. (Special Branch) during the morning of April 18, for

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also brow he to the notice of the STARTON. Executive consul of the American Consulate-Jeneral, who stated he would have MCHMAN called defore him and advise him to refrain from publishing any further matter of a rati-Jeneral mature. Ar. STARTON also intimated that in the event of the Police beixing the there would be no objections from an American Consular viewpoint.

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D.C. (Special - ranch).

Mr. Alexander Buchman was interviewed at headquarters in the afternoon of april 18, 1939, and warned to refrain from publishing books of an anti-Japanese nature.

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Reference attached report, these books are antiJapanese and with the exception of "Shanghai Day by Day"
come within the category of inciting. While "Shanghai Day
by Day" is but a diary of Shanghai hostilities from the
Chinese viewpoint, it can be classed as anti-Japanese and
to a certain extent inciting. I recommend we impound the
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Date April 7, 19 39.

Subject.

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at request of Japanese Consular Police

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At the request of the Jaranese Consular Police, D.S.I. KacAdie, J.D.S. Kamashita, D.S.I. Kao Yen-ken and C.D.S.24 (Special Branch) in company with Mr. Ninomiya of the Japanese Consular Police (2nd Department) visited the following bookstores between 3.40 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. on April 6:-

Kwong Ming Bookstore, 296 Foochow Road. Woo Chow Bookstore, 221 Shantung Road. Hyoong Dien Bookstore, 378 Foochow Road.

Chung Kuo Book Company, 380 Foochow Road.

Eight varieties of books were sought and a total of
229 books were impounded for examination. The
following is a list of these books together with the

following is a list of these books together with the number of copies seized at each place:

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Guerilla Warfare" (論 将擊戦)	3	23	-	26
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③"Common Problems
on Anti-Japanese
Guerilla Tactics"
(大きお野牧争 10 6 15 31 年分一般的社)

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○"Basic steps for
Guerilla Units" 27 34 - 61

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	"Political Work 13 in Guerilla Corps" (対象体 も)政治なな)	14	-	27		
	"Principal Tactics Governing Guerilla Warfare" (共享教育)	19		19		
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Nothing was seized from the Hyoong Dien Bookstore, 378 Foothow Road.

A brief description of the contents of each book together with publisher's name etc. is attached to this report as an appendix.

D.C. (Special Branch).

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APPENDIX

(1) Book entitled "Shanghai Day by Day"

Compiled by Chu Tso-doong () and

Mei Yih ().

Issued by the Hwa Mei Publishing Company (American), 172 Avenue Edward VII.

This book contains for the most part articles relating to the Sino-Japanese hostilities and describes the heroic deeds of the Chinese soldiers and civilians during the period between August 13, 1937 and August 13, 1938. It is actually a diary of events in the first year of the hostilities written from a Chinese point of view.

(2) Book entitled "Criticisms on Guerilla Warfare":
Written by General Chu Teh (夫), communist
leader and commander of the 8th Route Army.
Published by Chien Zoe (走社) Society,
in November, 1938.

Issued by the "University Press Ltd." (British), 130 Ningpo Road.

This book contains the essential points in connection with guerilla warfare along political, economic and military lines against the Japanese. It also gives an account of the hostilities in which the 8th Route Army participated against the Japanese during the past year.

(3) Book entitled "Common Problems on Anti-Japanese Guerilla Tactics."

Written by General Mao Shih-tung, leader of the Communist Party.

Published by Chien Zoe Society, on November 30, 1938.

Issued by the "University Press Ltd.",
130 Ningpo Road.

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This book gives an analysis of political and military tactics in the fight against the Japanese.

Room 405, 210 Kiukiang Road.

This book contains cartoons together with inscriptions describing the resistance made by the peasonts in the North East against the Japanese rule.

(6) Book entitled "Basic Steps for Guerilla Units."

Written by Yue Chi ().

Published by Chien Zoe Society (no address),

in December, 1938.

Issued by the "University Press, Ltd", 130 Ningpo Road.

This book describes the principal work and tactics necessary to be adopted by guerillas and quotes the experiences of the Red Army of Soviet Russia during their Revolution. The book is purely a theoretical work on guerilla warfare and no mention is made of the Japanese.

(6) Book entitled "Political Work in Guerilla Corps".

Written by Tieh Jen () and

Loo Zeu-ching ().

Published by Chien Zoe Society, in December, 1938.

Issued by the "University Press Ltd.",

130 Ningpo Road.

This book gives a brief account of political work among the 8th Route Army and teaches the reader how to train guerillas in a political sense.

(7) Book entitled "Principal Tactics Governing Guerilla Warfare".

Written by Koh Hwa-shih (郭和高),

Zung Poh-chun (齊伯為), and

Seu Yah (永 沃).

Published by Chien Zoe Society.

Issued by the "University Press Ltd.",
130 Ningpo Road.

This book contains three chapters: one dwells on the importance of obtaining the assistance of the people in guerilla warfare: the second relates how to attack the "enemy"; and . ird teaches the guerillas how to harass the "enemy" by destroying communications and to defend themselves against tanks.



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FILE NO. D. 2004/6.

SUBJECT:

Assistance to Japanese Fendamerie
Visit to Central Book Shop, S La Li,
Foochow Road (C.1. isc. 108/40)

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A Chan-Ken-Ko No. 648 dated July 25, 1940 was received from the Japanese Gendarmeric stating that, due to extenuating circumstances, the release of Ping Ching Yah (4 7 1) would be permitted if a personal bond was signed by him and on the production of two guaranters.

His personal guarantee (attached) was signed in the presence of D.C. (Grime) on July 29. 1940 and he was released accordingly at 10.30 g.m.

Account books and plates referring to the " asterpiece Cartoon Collection" (but not the four plates re the four cartoons insulting to H.I.J.M. the Emperor of Japan) were returned to Ping Ching Yah against his signature in C.1. Detained Proporty Book. (Page 38).

The 116 seized copies of the Masterpiece Cartoon Collection and the four plates referring to pages 6, 7 and 113 and 114 of the book have been handed to the Japanese Gendermerie against attached receipt.

Case completed.

SNANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE S. B. REGISTRY No. S. B. D. \$200 9/6

HEADQUARTERS

C.1.Misc.108/40.

CRIME BRANCH
JULY 22,

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FURTHER TO : ABSISTANCE TO JAPANESE GUNDARMERIE.

on July 19, 1940 Ping Ching Yah was returned to Crime Branch Headquarters by the Japanese Gendarmerie.

A Shank-Ken-Ke No. 622 for the permanent handing over of Ping Ching Yah was also received.

A statement made by Ping Ching Yah whilst with the Gendarmerie was also forwarded. This reiterates his statement as made to the S.M.Police, namely, that the collection of Cartoons was not specially compiled to be anti-Japanese in mature inasmuch the carteons were sathered from all sources prior to the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities.

No further evidence against him has been produced.

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FURTHER TO : ASSISTANCE TO JAPANESE GENDARMERIE.

The male Ping Ching Yah (平葉亞) returned to the office of Crime Branch Headquarters (C.1.) at 8 a.m. July 6, 1940 of his own free will.

On instructions of D.C. (Crime) dated July 10 1940 he was at 11 a.m. July 16, 1940 handed over to the Japanese Gendarmerie for a period of 2 weeks (July 16th to 29th inclusive) for interrogation.

Receipt attached.

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July 4, 40

Disappearance of Ping Ching Yah () from Crime Branch Headquarters (G. 1.)

D.S.I. Fowler

Supt. Bennett

Sir,

Reference to C.1. Misc. 108/40 referring to assistance to Japanese Gendarmerie to search the Central Book Store, Lane 328, House 6, Foodhow Road at 3.40 p.m. July 2, 1940 when a quantity of books purporting to be of an anti-Japanese nature were seized.

Yah (), 47, Soochow, residing 1362, Apartment 2, Rue Lafayette, was not present. A chit instructing him to present himself at Crime Branch Headquarters was left at the shop. In compliance with these instructions this man came to Crime Branch Headquarters, room 304, at 9.30 a.m. July 3, 1940 and brought with him the plates referring to the book seized. After explaining to D.S. Sugimoto, a representative of the Gendarmerie and the undersigned and D.S.I. Shong Ping Tsung and also being interrogated, he was allowed to go at 12 peck.

He returned adcordingly at 2 p.m. and was further questioned and at 3.45 p.m. C.D.I. Nakamura stated Major Hayashi had ordered his detention pending investigation. This order unfortunately could not be carried out due to his disappearance which had occurred two or three minutes previously.

Inasmuch as, up to this time Ping Ching Yah was not being treated in the nature of a prisoner in view of his having been permitted to leave Crime Branch Headquarters and return by himself in order to assist enquiries, he was shown to the Chinese toilet by D.S.I. Soong Ping Tsung when a request

by him was made. Thilst in the tollet D.S.I. Soong was engaged in conversation by a visitor asking to see C.D.I. Lieu Zau Kwei. On Ping Ching Yah emerging he was shown to room 304 where, at that time, I was engaged in conversation with D.S. Sugimeto regarding another case and was unaware the male had left the office for the purpose mentioned. D.S. I. Soong had returned to the sorridor towards his office to continue the conversation with the male he had previously spoken to. He returned to my office almost immediately and, noticing the absence of Ping Ching Yah, asked me where he was. It was then learned he had been seen passing down the west stairway of the bailding and must have almost followed D.S. I. Soong along the corridor. D.S.I. Soong asked as to what action was contemplated being taken against Ping Ching Yah and I had replied that the Gendarmerie had, through D.S. Sugimote, asked that the man be detained but the matter had been referred to C.D.I. Hakamura.

In view of the request Ping Ching Yah be detained, immediate steps were taken to locate him. His home at 1362, Apartment 2, Ruo Lafayette was visited with assistance of French Police where detectives were left as also at his Central Book Store, 328/6 Foochow Road. All persons likely to contact him or know his acquaintances have been notified. These efforts up to the time of this report have not proved fraitful but his early apprehension is expected.

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Headquarters C.1. Misc. 108/40 Crime Branch July

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FURTHER TO : ANGLOTHER TO JAMA ONE C MALEBORIE

Reference diary 1, the Pritish Military
Authorities and Louse Station were informed of the intended visit.

A party consisting of D.I. Crighton, D.S.I.

Soong, D.S.'s Sugimoto and Samoshima, C.D.S. 189 and
the undersigned accompanied a party of Gendarmerie
to the Central Book Shop (中央書方), Anne 328, House 6,
Foochow Road, at 3.40 p.m. July 2, 1940 where a search
of the premises resulted in 116 copies of Masterpiece
Cartoon Collection ()爱女母师是) being seized.

Examination of the book at Grime Bronch
Headquarters showed that pages 6 and 7 and 113 and 114
bore cartoons of a nature insulting to Japan and their
Emperor.

In order to further enquiries a note was left at the bookstore for the owner - manager Ping Ching Yah (子禁重), 47. Scoobow, residing Apt. 2, No. 1362 Rue Lafayette to present himself at Headquarters on the morning of July 3, 1940.

At 9.30 a.m. July 3, 1940 Ping Ching Yah
presented himself with the plates referring to the
cartoons in question. On request of the Gendarmerie
he again presented himself at 2 p.m. with account beaks

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showing that in I muary 1936, 3,000 of the books were printed and in obramy 1937, further 5,000. They were sole wholes is and retail. If the 8,000 printed only 113 books remined in the store.

In his defence Fing Ching Yah stated the cortoons were collections made from all sources, newspapers, pariodicals etc. and where the name of the artist was known this was included.

At 3.45 p.m. C.D.I. Nakamura informed the undersigned that Hejor Hayeshi had ordered the detention of Ping Ching Yah pending investigations. His detention at this time was unfortunately not possible as he had absented himself. His early apprehension he ever is expected.

For elaboration of the facts regarding the last paragraph please refer to attached report.

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ASSISTANCE TO JAPANEON GENDARMERIE.

NAT 2.30 p.m. 2-7-40, a telephone massage was received at C.1. Office from 2nd Sub-Lieutenant Katoda of the Japanese Gendarmerie Headquarters requesting us to render an immediate assistance in raiding the Central Book Shop (PAR), situated in Ska Si (PR), Foochow Road where books of anti-Japanese nature entitled "Master Piece Cartoon Collection" were suspected to have been published and sold.

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S. 1. Special Branch Station,

Date June 26, 1940.

Subject. Assistance requested by the Japanese Military Police.

Made by. D. S. Kamashita Forwarded by D. I. Crawford.

Sergeant T. Matsumoto attached to the Japanese Gendarmerie Headquarters in the Bridge House, North Szechuen Road, visited the undersigned at the Special Branch office during the afternoon on June 25. Sergeant Matsumoto informed me that the local Japanee Gendarmerie had received information from the Japanese Gendarmerie in Hsingking, capital of Manchoukuo, to the effect that pictorial magazines containing pictres considered insulting to the Emperors of Japan and Manchoukuo and also anti-Imperialist had been confiscated by the Gendarmerie in Hsingking. The magazine, octavo size, has 142 pages in all and cartoons cover every page of the magazine. The titles of the objectionable pictures contained in the book are Sin Hsia Doo(膝下圖), Playing Dragon Lamp(培藤燈), and lagic of Tenkatsu's father(天勝眷之棄辦), etc.. The magazine in question is published by the Central 300k Store(中央大方), Su Kah Li(古界里), Toochow Road, Shanghai.

The sergeant requested assistance of the Municipal Police to search the aforementioned book store with a view to confiscating the magazines.

This report is requested to be kept strictly confidential.

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At 6.30 t.m. DB-6-41 dermeant Major Yoshino of the Japanese Gendarmerie came to G.B.M.C. and requested saletonce to make enquiries at a book atuli on Manking Road near Kwangse Road as the Condarmerie had information that anti-Japanese literature was being offered for sale there.

Assistance was rendered by 1.3.1. Lieu Sheng Teah
D.... Yoshings and the undersigned and the book stall
referred to proved to be a street hawter named Song Mo
Ling (玉霞 秋) living at 23 Lah Juny Paug, Foothow Road
who was offering to ke for sale cutside 685 Nanking Road.
Six copies of a book entitled,

Logic & axperience of auti-Japanese and Guerilla warfare (抗療務重数事務理論与经驗.
and one copy of

'Becay by Manu Zuh Toong (毛澤東為2集)'
were seized. No arrests were made.

The books will be subcitted to Special Branch for perusal.

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		REPORT	Date.) March 2'	7. ,40.
Subject	"Life or Death F	lace" - mti-Japa	nese publication	
Made by	D Golder	Fort arden by	Supt. Mason	
	Yeh, the Juchow was visited by Chiang King-yon anti-Japanese p which is publis the Nu Dee Zoen not known. Subseque the Shoons Dien	Bookstore (2.7) D.S.I. Golder, C. Rat 5 p.m. 26.3. Outlication "Life thed by an unregist Society (Slaves ent information learning to the store (2.7) 40, when 8 copies ed.	supplied by C.D.C. Wit), 221 Shantun D.C. 230 Chang Yeh To in search of cop or Death Place" (tered organization Society 12 Ant) ed to a visit being The Death D. S.	nnd Clerk ies of an 4300) known as address spaid to Road, at
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Translation of extracts from a book entitled "Life or Death Place" (生死場).

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The old woman named wong said: "Harbin surely must be safer than the countryside. When you go there again, you had better remain there and do not come back. The Japanese in the village are behaving worse and worse. They are arresting pregnant women whose bellies are ripped open in order to attack the 'Red Spear Society' (a unit of the volunteer corps), while living babies slid down from the bellies. For this affair Li Tsing-san has beheaded two Japanese and hung the heads on a tree."

Ching Ts murmured: "Formerly I hated men, but now I hate the little Japanese."

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Old Chao San had a quarrel with his son over the "patriotic army." He said to his son, "In my opinion you must go. If word is let out that you are at home, people will come to arrest you. If you go, it is worthwhile even to kill one Japanese devil and it will serve to vent one's anger. As you are young and strong, it is good to let out your anger."

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Ching Ts saw the woman's belly growing bigger and bigger. She told the woman, "With such a big belly you still dare to come out here? Have you not heard that the little Japanese are trying to lay their hold on pregnant women in order to attack the 'Red Spear Society'? The Japanese rip open the bellies of the women and then bring them along to the front. They say that the 'Red Spear Society' is afraid of nothing but women and they call the 'Red Spear Society' 'Iron Children'!"

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REPORT

March 27, 40.

Subject	Inti-Japanese book entitled "Life or Death Place"
Made by	D.S.I. Golder Forwarded by Supt. Mason
Made by	ittached is a translation of extracts from an anti- Japanese book entitled "Life or Death Place" (Juto). The book purports to have been written by Sido Hoong (Juto) and published by the Nu Dee Joen Society (Slaves Society With) and is alleged to be distributed by the Yoong Ewang Fookstore (Juto) which however is non-existent. A copy of the book was obtained by C.D.C. 230 Chang Yeh from the Vuchow Bookstore (Juto), 221 Shantung Road. Vide File D-6200/A(2) attached, 52 copies of this book were seized on the afternoon of April 6, 1939, from three bookstores by members of the Special Branch at the request of the Japanese Consular Police. D. C. (Special Branch).

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Date hovember 5, 1038.

Subject Bookstore managers warned against selling objectionable publications.

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Forwarded by

C.D.I. Ross.

Further to the attached rile, the following persons were interviewed at headquarters on Movember 5 and warned by F.A. to D.C. (Special Branch) not to sell objectionable publications in future:-

- 1) Yui Rung-ziang (前水样), manager of Kwang Ming Bookstore (光明), 296 Foochow Road.
- 2) Wang ri-fu (注 基 南), manager of Hwa Tung Bookstore (事 前), 331 Foochow Road.
- 3) Tu Shih-ping (廣 詩 明), proprietor of China Book Co. (中国商县组法公司, 380 foochow Road.
- 4) Sin Siu-hwa (薛克華), manager of Wu Chow Bookstore (五州書放社), 221 Shantung Hd.

In reply, they promised to exercise greater

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MOV. 4, 1038. Date

Subject

Seizure of anti-Japanese publications

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Forwarded by D. S. McKeown.

On the afternoon of November 4, D.S. McKeown, C.D.C. 230 Chang Yeh and Clerk Chiang King-yong visited the following bookstores with the object of seizing anti-Japanese books entitled "A Brief History of National Revolutions in China" (中國民族革命小史):-

	Name and Address of Bookstore	Sei	zure
1)	Wu Chow Bookstore (3 世書報社)。 221 Shantung Road。	192	copies
2)	Kwang Ming Bookstore (老期書戶), 296 Foochow Road.	19	**
3)	Hwa Tung Bookstore (美亩多仁), 331 Foochow Road.	7	19
4)	Yuan Tung Magazine Company ()表字推議之了), 378 Foochow Road.	n	11
5)	China Book Company (中國董書雜誌公])。 380 Foochow Road。	20	

With the exception of the Wu Chow Bookstore, the staffs of the shops did not know the source of these publications, but at the Wu Chow Bookstore, it was ascertained that the books were distributed from the Ih Pan Bookstore (一般達衣) on Route Vallon near Avenue Dubail, Telephone No.86589.

The assistants of all the shops visited were instructed to inform the owners to visit this office on the morning of November 5, when they will be cautioned regarding accepting for sale literature of this nature.

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D.S. McKeown.

Attached are translations of the contents and an extract from a book entitled "A Brief History of National Revolutions in China" (中国民族革命小史). The book is stated to be published by the Ih Pan Bookstore (一般首形) in Shanghai, but no address is given. It is on sale for 12 cents a copy at the following bookstores:-

- 1) Wu Chow Bookstore (五洲 書稱社), 221 Shantung Road.
- 2) Kwang Ming Bookstore (光明書局), 296 Foochow Road.
- 3) Hwa Tung Bookstore (華通書局), 331 Foochow Road.
- 4) Yuan Tung Magazine Company (遠東雜誌公司), 379 Foochow Road.
- 5) China Book Company (中国電影演员), 380 Foochow Road.

The attached copy of the book was bought by C.D.C. 230 Chang Yih from the Wu Chow Bookstore on October 25.

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gives reither name nor address of either the publisher or edition

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Contents of Book entitled "A Brief History of National Revolutions in China" (中國民族革命人) published by the In Pan Bookstore (知识方), address not given.

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The last chapter contains the following statements—
"The Japanese Imperialists went insene and started aggressive hostilities against China at a time when China was taking the preliminary steps towards the unification of the country.

"In the course of hestilities in South Shansi, enemy troops were besieged and a countless number of men were lost to them.

enferred big defeats on both occasions, especially at the battle of Taierehumg. During the third attempt by the enemy, our troops made a strategic retreat and the enemy captured an empty city. Another big victory, similar to that of the battle of Taierehumg, was gained at Laifeng. With a protracted war of resistance against the enemy, China will undoubtedly gain final victory. This war of resistance will not only give full independence, freedom and equality to China but will overthree Japanese Imperialism.